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HOUSE BILL 347

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE WESTERN GOVERNORS' VIRTUAL
UNIVERSITY INITIATIVE; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. APPROPRIATION. -- One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the department of finance and administration for expenditure in fiscal years 1997 and 1998 for the purpose of funding New Mexico's participation in the western governors' virtual university initiative. As part of New Mexico's extended learning initiative, which is designed to stimulate interest in and coordinate the delivery of high-quality, competency-based electronically delivered learning opportunities that are recognized and valued by students, employers and institutions of higher education, the commission on higher education shall

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1 assist in the coordination and positioning of the state's public
2 colleges and universities as effective participants in the
3 western governors' virtual university initiative. The
4 commission shall report periodically to the legislative
5 education study committee and the legislative finance committee
6 on the efforts of the western governors' virtual university
7 initiative. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at
8 the end of fiscal year 1998 shall revert to the general fund.

9 Section 2. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public
10 peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.

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**State of New Mexico
House of Representatives**

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FIRST SESSION, 1997

February 14, 1997

Mr. Speaker:

Your EDUCATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the
APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Respectfully submitted,

Samuel F. Vigil, Chairman

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Date _____

The roll call vote was 8 For 0 Against

Yes: 8

Excused: McSherry, Mi era, Nicely, Wright, Vigil

Absent: None

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State of New Mexico House of Representatives

**FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION, 1997**

March 15, 1997

Mr. Speaker:

**Your APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE, to
whom has been referred**

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**has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS.**

Respectfully submitted,

Max Coll, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 10 For 1 Against

Yes: 10

No: Bird

Excused: Buffett, Garcia, M. H., Marquardt, Picraux, Salazar,
Watchman

Absent: None

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March 21, 1997

Mr. President:

Your FINANCE COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS, amended as follows:

1. On page 1, line 11, after "FOR" insert "THE INSTRUCTIONAL
AND GENERAL DISTRIBUTION FOR FOUR-YEAR HIGHER EDUCATIONAL
INSTITUTIONS; PROVIDING FOR PARTICIPATION AND REPORTING FOR".

2. On page 1, line 12, strike "; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY".

3. On page 1, line 15, after the first period, strike the
remainder of the line, strike all of lines 16 through 19 and
strike line 20 through the period and insert in lieu thereof:

"TEMPORARY PROVISION--WESTERN GOVERNORS' VIRTUAL UNIVERSITY
INITIATIVE.--The commission on higher education shall perform the
participation and reporting duties set out in this section to
carry out the purpose of the funding for New Mexico's
participation in the western governors' virtual learning

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initiative in the General Appropriation Act of 1997. "

4. On page 2, strike line 7 after the period.

5. On page 2, strike line 8 in its entirety.

6. On page 2, between lines 8 and 9, insert the following section:

"Section 2. APPROPRIATION. --

A. Two million five hundred sixty-four thousand two hundred dollars (\$2,564,200) is appropriated from the general fund to the commission on higher education for expenditure in fiscal year 1998 for the purpose of funding the instructional and general distribution to the following institutions in the following amounts:

(1) one hundred seventy thousand two hundred dollars (\$170,200) to the board of regents of New Mexico institute of mining and technology;

(2) seven hundred eighty-one thousand dollars (\$781,000) to the board of regents of New Mexico state university;

(3) one million one hundred sixty-two thousand six hundred dollars (\$1,162,600) to the board of regents of the

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university of New Mexico;

(4) one hundred eighty-two thousand nine hundred dollars (\$182,900) to the board of regents of eastern New Mexico university;

(5) one hundred sixty thousand seven hundred dollars (\$160,700) to the board of regents of New Mexico highlands university; and

(6) one hundred six thousand eight hundred dollars (\$106,800) to the board of regents of western New Mexico university.

B. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1998 shall not revert to the general fund. "

7. On page 2, strike lines 9 and 10 in their entirety.

Respectfully submitted,

Ben D. Altamirano, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 6 For 0 Against
Yes: 6
No: None
Excused: Carraro, Eisenstadt, Ingle, Lyons, McKibben
Absent: None

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